



Broiler Hatchery

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Broiler Eggs Set In 15 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 187 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 26, 2001. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 150 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 26, 2001. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through May 26, 2001 were 3.08 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

Four Additional States in Weekly Program

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were published for the first time in the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19-States set a total of 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 26, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19-States placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 26, 2001.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 21 2001	Apr 28 2001	May 5 2001	May 12 2001	May 19 2001	May 26 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	28,823	28,954	*28,801	29,600	*29,578	29,403
AR	30,087	30,253	30,017	30,173	30,645	30,896
DE	3,777	3,573	3,588	3,680	*3,652	3,680
FL	2,384	2,381	2,376	2,400	2,399	2,392
GA	31,853	32,501	*31,892	32,278	32,207	32,566
MD	8,788	8,724	8,769	8,960	8,532	8,864
MS	18,389	18,069	18,744	19,089	19,140	19,236
NC	17,790	18,029	*17,817	18,342	18,000	17,786
PA	3,692	3,749	3,861	3,821	3,824	3,795
SC	5,021	4,983	4,968	5,087	5,023	4,974
TX	15,261	15,299	15,289	15,290	15,307	15,303
VA	6,693	6,663	6,812	6,605	6,637	6,632
CA, TN, & WV	11,538	10,959	11,484	11,586	*11,583	11,435
15 State Total	184,096	184,137	*184,418	186,911	*186,527	186,962
Previous Year Total	186,477	186,476	183,698	185,949	186,522	185,414
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	100	101	100	101
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	5,610	5,339	5,115	5,513	*5,270	5,117
OK	6,236	6,333	6,109	6,180	6,358	6,257
LA & MO	9,259	9,380	9,444	9,444	9,300	9,389
19 State Total	205,201	205,189	*205,086	208,048	*207,455	207,725

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Apr 21 2001	Apr 28 2001	May 5 2001	May 12 2001	May 19 2001	May 26 2001
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	22,135	22,088	22,290	21,476	*21,153	21,631
AR	23,026	24,197	24,730	24,972	24,859	24,501
DE	5,155	4,717	4,190	5,032	*4,428	3,859
FL	2,395	2,458	2,411	2,362	2,390	2,195
GA	25,341	25,045	25,981	*25,456	*26,137	25,373
MD	4,874	*5,783	5,559	5,702	*6,315	6,583
MS	15,331	15,671	15,690	14,837	*15,145	15,545
NC	14,437	14,690	13,794	14,622	14,892	14,636
PA	2,751	2,785	2,738	2,673	2,655	2,836
SC	3,909	4,464	3,878	4,411	3,967	4,242
TX	11,461	11,970	11,917	11,943	12,181	12,131
VA	6,051	5,322	6,194	5,704	5,031	5,530
CA, TN, & WV	10,282	10,340	10,060	10,797	*9,874	10,508
15 State Total	147,148	*149,530	149,432	*149,987	*149,027	149,570
Previous Year Total	148,919	151,362	150,793	150,139	149,857	148,402
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	99	100	99	101
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
KY	4,281	4,329	3,987	4,653	*4,223	4,129
OK	4,565	5,319	4,298	4,274	4,779	4,408
LA & MO	9,143	8,843	9,075	8,951	8,491	8,731
19 State Total	165,137	*168,021	166,792	*167,865	*166,520	166,838

* Revised.